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Dear Mr. Smith:

Sometime ago we invited you to participate in the CIA Guest Speaker Program. Your schedule did not permit it at that time, but you were good enough to indicate that we might call on you again. I would like to do so at this time.

Several times a year scholars and distinguished public figures are invited to address some 300 to 500 employees of the Central Intelligence Agency and of other agencies of the Intelligence Community on topics of concern in various fields, including science, diplomacy, and public policy. Our objective is to improve understanding as well as provide an intellectual stimulus for our employees. Among recent guests have been Messrs. Clark Clifford, John Kenneth Galbraith, and John King Fairbank. I believe the program, now in its fifth year, has been successful.

The topic I have in mind is "The Russians: Approaching Leadership Change." You may, however, prefer to address another aspect of Soviet affairs or Soviet-American relationships.

It would be a great pleasure for all of us, and a personal one for me, to have you accept this invitation. The date I have in mind is Tuesday, 10 April, but we would be glad to adjust to meet your convenience. The Guest Speaker Program consists of a formal lecture of approximately 45 minutes, followed by a 30-minute question period. Lectures are usually scheduled from 3:00 to 4:15 p.m. The Guest Speaker honorarium is \$500.

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Again, I do hope that you are able to accept this invitation. Our Special Programs Officer, will be pleased to discuss any aspects of the arrangements with you. She may be reached on

Yours sincerely,

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